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to 18 Summer street to be
repaired.

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BY TELEGRAPH.

HIS PLURALITY 4,000.

Quincy Re-elected Mayor of Bos-
ton. He Had a Majority
Over All Candidates.

Boston, Dec. 22.—Complete and revised
returns from the 19 voting precincts of
this city show that Mayor Josiah Quincy,
the Democratic candidate, was reelected
yesterday by a plurality of 4,079 votes
over Mr. Curtis. Mr. Quincy received
40,707 votes; Edwin U. Curtis, Republi-
can candidate, 35,991; Thomas Riley, nomi-
nee of Bryan Democrats, 2,921; and David
Goldstein, who headed the Socialist Labor
ticket, 827.

These figures give Mr. Quincy a clear
majority over all of 331 votes. His plu-
rality two years ago was 4,408. The total
vote this year was nearly 3000 greater
than in 1895.

Boston, Dec. 22.—Josiah Quincy was re-
elected mayor of Boston yesterday by a
plurality of 3,987 over ex-Mayor Edwin
U. Curtis, the Republican candidate, and a
majority of 2,289 over all his opponents.

Some curious phases are presented by
the returns from the Republican wards,
particularly ward 11. There Mr. Curtis
fell 89 votes behind Governor Weetall's
total cast in that ward, while Josiah
Quincy gained 88 over Williams. Arran-
ging the vote of two years ago on the
ward lines corresponding to the pres-
ent boundaries of the ward, it was found
that Air. Curtis had lost 600 votes. The
vote in ward 20 and in some precincts
in other Dorchester wards was decidedly
discouraging to the Republican leaders,
and when the Democratic precincts held
the Quincy vote by a substantial ratio
defeat was early recognized.

EDWIN UPTON CURTIS.
Ex-Mayor Curtis took his defeat good
naturedly and said: "The real question
was a verdict upon Mayor Quincy's ad-
ministration, which the Republicans
challenged, and upon his loyalty to his
party, which Mr. Riley's friends chal-
lenged. The latter's vote showed that the
Democratic mass can be trusted to
support their organization, and the vote
in the back bay and in a section of Dor-
chester showed that those conservative
wards are satisfied with the present
administration of the city's affairs. The
result shows that after a Republican
presidential election, and with any de-
gree of unanimity in the Democratic
ranks, a Republican has little chance to
be elected mayor of Boston."

Joseph MacCabe, chairman of the Re-
publican city committee, declined to ex-
press any further opinion at present
than to say: "We made a good fight
and were defeated." Mr. MacCabe de-
clared that he would petition for a re-
count on the basis of the very small
plurality in so large a vote.

Thomas Riley said: "I am a Demo-
crat and bow to the will of the majority.
It is the supreme law of the Democratic
party. When the people decide as
they most is the defeat of the Republican
party. This I advised at every meet-
ing. My contest was fair and manly.
It was for the people and will benefit
them. The seed has fallen on fertile
soil, and the harvest will be abundant.
Future nominations will be Democratic.
Surely I have nothing to regret."

Josiah Quincy said: "I am naturally
gratified at the renewed expression of
their confidence and support given to me
by the voters of Boston, after they
have tried me for two years in the office
of mayor. It will be my endeavor as
a public official to continue to merit their
approval and that of the substantial
number of Republicans who gave me
their votes white not openly announcing
their intention to do so. The result, in
spite of the fact that the campaign was
fought upon local issues, is full of enc-
ouragement to those who believe in a
party union and success rather than in
division and failure."

The revised unofficial vote for mayor
with one precinct missing is: Curtis
(Rep.), 35,804; Goldstein (Soc.), 827;
Quincy (Dem.), 38,767; Riley (Bryan
Dem.), 2,883.

The board of aldermen will be com-
posed of six Republicans and six Democ-
rats, a gain of one Democrat. Those
elected are: Berwin (Rep.), Charles
(Dem.), Cleary (Dem.), Codman (Rep.),
Conry (Dem.), Dixon (Dem.), Dyer
(Rep.), Paige (Rep.), Presho (Rep.),
Norton (Dem.), F. O'Toole (Dem.), Lott
(Rep.).

The returns from five wards on com-
mon councilmen are still incomplete, but
the indications are that the council will
be composed of 45 Democrats and 30
Republicans, a gain of three Democrats.

John P. Dore (Dem.) is elected street
commissioner over Benjamin M. Cram
(Rep.) by about 11,000 majority.

TWO DICKS IN THE RING

Fiasco Between Burge and O'Brien In
Birmingham, Eng.

Former Awarded the Decision
on a Slight Foul.

Gas Struck as He Slipped During the Fourth
Round of the Contest.

London, Dec. 22.—The match arranged
between Dick Burge and Dick O'Brien
for a purse of £650 in addition to £900
taken off last evening at the room
of the Olympic club, Birmingham,
Burke struck at 148 pounds and O'Brien
at 160. During the afternoon there
were disquieting rumors as to O'Brien's
condition, and long odds were laid on
Burge. When the men entered the ring
it was seen that O'Brien was very fat
while Burge was remarkably fit.

At the end of the first round O'Brien
was blowing hard, and he did not im-
prove matters in the second. During the
fourth round, when Burge slipped in
O'Brien's corner, the latter struck him
lightly. A foul was claimed and allowed,
thus ending a poor contest.

O'Brien's backers withdrew £700 he had
staked on him because the boxer had not
properly trained. Burge consented to
recede with the match for the purse
only.



BY TELEGRAPH.

WAR CLOUDS LOWER.

The European Situation Grows
More and More Serious on
Account of China.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 22.—There is no
doubt that Europe is today dangerously
near to warlike complications on account
of the Chinese situation. The threat at
Berlin, St. Petersburg, London and Pekin
is a feverish one. The great powers of
Europe are reaching out for possession of
China and have come into conflict in their
greed.

In a strongly anti-British article today,
the Russian official paper, the St. Peters-
burg Novosti, says: "In consequence of
the pretension of England to compensate
herself to Russian occupation of Port
Arthur by the acquisition of Port
Hamilton or Lazearoff, and in view of the
possibility of the disturbing action of
Japan, Europe stands on the brink of
grave diplomatic complications. It is
therefore well to recall that the reinforce-
ment of the German squadron in the
Pacific permits Russia, France and
Germany to effectively prevent a distur-
bance of the balance of power."

REDUCTION TO STAND.

Fall River Manufacturers Refuse to
Make Concessions.

Say That Conditions Make
Action Imperative.

Invite Co-operation of Operatives in Over-
coming Disadvantages.

Fall River, Mass., Dec. 22.—A meeting
of the manufacturers' committee was held
yesterday afternoon, and the answer to
the operatives' propositions was framed.
It recites the conditions affecting the
industry in Fall River and the reasons
for the proposed reduction of wages,
closing with the statement that the sit-
uation is such that the manufacturers
must adhere to their decision, and that
it is absolutely necessary to reduce wages.
In giving their reasons for this
decision, the manufacturers deal at
length with the matter of suburban com-
petition and urge concerted action to
bring about legislation more friendly
to the industries of Massachusetts, so
that capital may be induced to stay here
rather than go outside.

On the question of curtailment the
committee says:

Mr. Thomas O'Donnell, secretary of
conference committee:

Dear Sir.—The committee representing
the manufacturers of Fall River have
carefully considered the three proposi-
tions which were submitted to them at
yesterday's conference and which were
so ably discussed and endorsed by the
representatives of the various labor orga-
nizations there assembled. This com-
mittee, after due deliberation and after
carefully considering the matter under
controversy in all its bearings, and ever
having in view the best interests of the
manufacturing industry of Fall River, both
as regards the employer and the employ-
ees, have arrived at the following
conclusion: that a reduction of wages
should go into effect, and inasmuch as the
mills of Fall River have run during the
past year or more under conditions so very
discouraging and unremunerative, dur-
ing which time we have tried the ex-
periment of curtailment extensively, the
committee of the manufacturers feel
that the situation is such that they must
adhere to their decision, that it is ab-
solutely necessary to reduce wages in
Fall River mills 11-1/2 per cent, said re-
duction to go into effect on the third day
of January, 1898, as voted by the man-
ufacturers at a meeting held on the
eighth day of December, 1897.

At the conclusion of the meeting the
answer was forwarded by messenger to
Secretary O'Donnell of the Spinners' as-
sociation, who is the secretary of the
operatives' committee. The various sec-
retaries were seen after the reading of
the answer, and their talk indicates op-
position. Secretary O'Donnell said that
the result was a great disappointment,
but he did not care to talk until after the
meeting of the conference Thursday.

He said that if the committee should
listen to the operatives, a strike would be
put off for tomorrow instead of waiting
until Jan. 3.

Secretary Whitehead of the weavers
said that there was nothing left but
action, and they would act. He felt that
the delegates made a good case

Monday, but the manufacturers did not
seem to have taken them seriously. They
expected a postponement, but now it
is remained with the operatives as a
whole to decide upon the action to be
taken. The sentiment among the
weavers is to oppose a cut-down.

Secretary Tansy of the carders was
of the opinion that the sentiment at the
meeting of the conference committee
would be against the reduction and for
resistance.

He felt that the arguments of the delega-
tes in favor of the propositions were reason-
able from every point of view.

Secretary McCarthy of the loom-fixers
said that the decision was contrary to
what he expected. The sentiment in his
union is decidedly in favor of a strike,
and no power on earth can stop them.

They went before the manufacturers
as honest men with honest intentions,
but the manufacturers seem to have
taken it as a bluff. He does not think
that the manufacturers are honest, and
he does not feel like trying to prevent
a strike.

It must be evident to you, as it is to
this committee, that there is no money for
stockholders nor for employees either
when the mills are idle or running short
time; and that it is useless for all the
Fall River mills to do all the curtailing
of production.

When we stop our mills,
everyone else runs full time, and if a

WEATHER FORECAST.

Warmer.
Unsettled, probably light snow Thurs-
day morning followed by clearing,
warmer Thursday morning.

To Give Gracefully Select Thoughtfully!

Now is the Christmas shopper's time—the time when you are happy in gift-choosing.

AT WILLIAMSTOWN.

To Build a New Depot—Starting an Ice Farm—Hose Company to Hold its Annual Ball—Avoided a Smashup.

To Build a New Depot.

The Fitchburg railroad sent to this town Monday night from the east a car fitted up for use as a ticket office. The car is kept for use at any point where needed and comes in very handy here just now. It stands on the sidetrack just east of the burned depot and will have to answer the purpose of a station until a new one can be built. Master Car Builder Marden and Traveling Auditor H. J. Harrod arrived on the 1:31 train from the east Tuesday afternoon. Mr. Marden said the work of remodeling the old depot was to have been begun Monday. He also stated that work on a new building will begin as soon as plans can be prepared, and that the new station will probably be of stone. The convenience of the public will be carefully consulted, even to the site of the building, which the company is ready to change if anything can be gained thereby, but it is probable that the old site will be found the best, all things considered.

Hose Company's Annual Ball.

At a regular meeting Monday evening Gale Hose company decided to hold its annual ball in the opera house on the evening of January 21. Surdau's orchestra (seven pieces) of Hoosick Falls, N. Y., will be engaged and will give a concert before the dancing begins. In the orchestra is a 13-year-old girl who is said to be a wonderful cornet player for one of her years. Supper will be served in the hose room, which is in the basement of the opera house. The price of tickets, including supper will be \$1. C. A. Brown, James A. Cheever, William Eldridge and Patrick Hastings are the committee of arrangements. There will be an earnest effort to make the ball a popular social event and the firemen feel that their services to the community entitle them to a generous patronage, which without doubt they will receive.

Avoided a Smashup.

Harry Fitzgerald and Edgar Noel, who were out with Crosier's meat cart Tuesday, had to hustle in lively manner to avoid what might have been a serious smashup. They were driving from the Riverside road to a sharp incine to the Valley Road when the team strap broke and let the horses slip back from the collar. The horse could not hold the well loaded wagon with the harness in such condition and the wagon began to run back down the hill. A wagon running backward seldom takes a straight course, and this one did not. It crunched this way and that and was in imminent danger of turning over and throwing the horse. The young men jumped out and Fitzgerald took the horse by the head while Noel grabbed a rear wheel, and the rig was brought to standstill before any damage was done.

Starting an Ice Farm.

"It is an ill wind that blows no one good," and Mrs. John McLan of the White Oaks is getting in position to profit by the ruling of the North Adams board of health regarding the ice supply of that city. She has built an ice pond covering about half an acre. It is fed by the water of two springs which are free from contamination of any sort and the ice will be perfectly pure. That there will be a ready sale for the product there is little doubt, one North Adams man having already been to see Mrs. McLan with reference to this winter's crop. If the enterprise proves profitable Mrs. McLan will probably build two more ponds next season, there being good places for them on her premises.

A Wholesome Lesson.

A fine of \$75 which Judges Tenney imposed on Arthur Beverly Tuesday for hen stealing ought to have a wholesome effect on all persons inclined to roost robbing. It is true, as the judge remarked at the trial, that "when a man goes out to his barn to get a hen for his Christmas dinner he wants to find the hen there," and the chances are that Mr. Beverly's experience will make it easier to do so hereafter.

Mrs. Keyes Danforth went to New York Tuesday to spend some time.

Gale Hose company has had a pole made for the hook and ladder truck, and hereafter two horses will be used instead of one. One horse is not enough to move the truck at the required speed over rough or hilly roads.

Samuel Fitzgerald, who has been laid up for some time with the mumps, has recovered and is again on duty in Neyland & Quinn's store. Sheriff Eldridge is also out again after having been housed some time by the same complaint.

Will Quinn is assisting in Neyland & Quinn's store during the college vacation.

In stocking up for the Christmas trade Neyland & Quinn did not forget to put in a supply of holly.

Clayton Foster is draining some wet land on his farm on the west road, owned for many years by his uncle, the late John A. Foster.

Most of the students left town Tuesday for their homes to spend the holiday vacation. A large number went west on the afternoon express. Considerable inconvenience was the result of the fire of the day before and many of the students had to pay cash fares to Troy and buy their tickets in that city.

Arthur Mole has been engaged to assist in A. S. Hall's store this winter while Mr. Hall is attending the legislature.

Rev. and Mrs. Hatch of Bangor, Me., are visiting in town. Mrs. Hatch was formerly Miss Cora Johnson of this town.

The trimming of St. John's church for Christmas was begun Tuesday evening and will probably take two or three evenings.

The Blackinton circle of the King's Daughters of St. John's church held a sale and entertainment Monday evening which was attended by a good number from this village, all of whom had a pleasant time. The occasion was for the purpose of raising funds to be used in the charitable work of the organization.

A preparatory service will be held at St. John's church Friday evening, and on Christmas morning there will be a holy communion.

The local interest in the North Adams campaign was kept up till the voting was done and the result announced.

Miss Mary E. Evans is spending the holidays in Springfield.

The operetta, "Santa Claus' Surprise Party," will be given in the Williamstown opera house Christmas evening by a large chorus under the direction of J. W. Lawrence. Admission 15 and 25 cents.

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A Tour for the Christmas Holidays.

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Von Moltke.

Von Moltke was originally an officer in the Danish army. At the age of 9 years he was entered as a royal cadet—i. e., he was to be educated at the expense of the king, Frederick VI, in the Copenhagen Military academy—and, having taken his examinations, he wore the Danish uniform until he, as a lieutenant at the age of 27, petitioned the king for three years' leave to proceed to the continent to study the military art, as he says in his petition, "to be able on his return to employ his acquirements for the good of his country."

This petition was granted, but the count also asked to be allowed to retain his pay, and as the king refused this he took his discharge and entered the Prussian army, a recruit whom that organization has every reason to hold in enduring memory.

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Ladies'

hemstitched handkerchiefs, 5, 10, 12 1/2, 15, 20 and 25c.

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Embroidered handkerchiefs, trimmed with lace piping, special values, 37 1/2c to \$1.75.

Lace-trimmed handkerchiefs, 10c to \$1.50. Immense assortment.

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" 25c.

" 30c.

" 50c.

" 75c.

" \$1.00.

" 1.25.

" 1.50.

We have purchased an unusually large and attractive stock of fancy china dishes, vases, cups and saucers and fancy glass races, which we shall offer at reasonable prices.

Kid Gloves.

What is a more acceptable gift than a pair of kid gloves?

Christmas Linens.

10 dozen fine satin damask towels, fine drawn work, extra heavy knotted fringe, special holiday offering at 75c each.

25 dozen fine damask towels, drawn work and heavy knotted fringe, great value at 50c. each.

Fine satin damask towels 75c. each.

" " 89c. "

" " 1.00 "

" " 1.25 "

" " 1.50 "

\$1.00.

15 dozen ladies' night gowns, fine muslin, V neck of insertion, wide ruffle of fine embroidery over shoulders, a very dainty gown, price only

\$1.25.

20 dozen ladies' empire night gowns, trimmed with handsome embroidery and insertion, regular price \$1.75, holiday price only

\$1.50.

100 ladies' cedar-down dressing jackets, colors pink, blue, red and gray, size \$32 to 42, price

\$1.

AT ADAMS.

An Excellent Entertainment.

The Shakespearian recital given by Mrs. Hannibal Williams of Boston in the opera house Tuesday evening under the auspices of the class of '98, was the finest entertainment of the kind ever given in this town. The audience was small and those who were not present missed a real treat. The evening's program was improved much by the assistance of a quartet composed by Miss Winifred Baldwin of Pittsfield, Thomas Carne, Miles E. Fisher and Frank L. Goodnow. Mr. Carne and Miss Baldwin also rendered solos. Mrs. Williams was exceptionally fine, her enunciation was perfect and her voice was strong and easily heard. Her subject was "As You Like It" and the manner in which she recited it proved her to be a first class elocutionist and her efforts were thoroughly appreciated by her listeners. Mrs. C. V. Burton played the piano accompaniments.

For a Concrete Walk.

During the recent wet weather which was had when the roads were covered with deep mud THE TRANSCRIPT spoke of the poor accommodation for passengers of the street cars in going to and from the car at the end of the line on Park street. The management of the road read the article and in speaking with a representative of this paper Tuesday afternoon, Supt. W. T. Neary said that he had contracted with Mr. Varnum of North Adams, who built a deal of concrete walk in town this fall, to build a walk from the sidewalk to the track and along the side of the track where the car stops, so that passengers can use the walk when getting off either end of the car. The walk when made will be kept clear and thus will be a decided improvement. The prompt action of the superintendent in this case will be thoroughly appreciated by the public. The walk will be built just as soon as the ground will permit.

Knights of Columbus Meeting.

The regular meeting of the Knights of Columbus was held in their hall Tuesday evening. Several new applications for membership were received. At the next meeting, Tuesday evening, January 4, the officers recently elected will be installed by District Deputy Mercer of Pittsfield. Arrangements are being made for a ladies' night which will probably be held Tuesday evening, January 11. It is probable that a special train will be run on the Boston & Albany railroad to Pittsfield Wednesday, January 12, when the third degree will be worked at the Pittsfield council. Members from the local and North Adams councils will attend.

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A very rare occurrence was that at Zylonte last Saturday when Mrs. William Gates who lives opposite the Adams Power station picked two pansies in full bloom from a flower bed near the house. The bed had not been covered with anything to protect it from the snow or frost but where the pansies were found laid long spears of withered grass which may have kept the cold out some. The flowers were not large but were perfect and were deep colored and sweet scented. Mrs. Gates preserved the specimens in water for several days.

A Chicken Supper.

Another pleasant evening was enjoyed by about a dozen young men in the parlors of the Adams house on Myrtle street Monday evening. The host of the evening was Edward Fera and he had a chicken supper served to his friends. During the evening songs were sung by James Welch, Edward Duggan and D. J. Dunn; Jack Doyle played several violin selections and Mr. Fern recited "The Old Fat Hen Am a Missin'." When all was over the host was heartily thanked for the generous manner in which he entertained.

To Hold a Memorial Service.

The Women's Relief corps at their meeting Tuesday evening decided to hold a memorial service in Grand Army hall Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. They invite George E. Sayles post and W. C. Punkett Camp, Sons of Veterans to attend. The service is held in honor of the late Mrs. Helen A. Brigham of Hyde Park who was past department president. It is probable that Mrs. Josephine Burdick of North Adams will be the leading speaker.

Womans Relief Corp. Meeting.

The regular meeting of the Woman's Relief corps of George E. Sayles post, G. A. R., was held Tuesday evening. The corps decided on the point installation proposed by the G. A. R. and on the first Tuesday evening in January, the post, with the Relief corps and Sons of Veterans' officers will be installed. Mrs. Josephine Burdick, senior vice-president of the department, will be installing officer for the ladies. The corps will serve refreshments.

A Special Christmas Dinner.

For those who can't wait until Christmas for their Christmas dinner, Hosford & Co. will serve a special dinner Friday night. All the dishes that custom attributes to a good Christmas will be represented on the card, and Messrs. Hosford & Co. say that all in all it will be a close match for the regular Christmas dinner the next day.

Will Hold Christmas Exercises.

Arrangements are being made for Christmas exercises to be held in the par-

lor of the Baptist church Friday evening. An informal entertainment will be given by the children of the Sunday school, consisting of vocal and instrumental selections and recitations. A supper will be served for the young people after the entertainment.

Reading Club Meeting.

The Home Reading club will meet Thursday afternoon with Mrs. A. B. Mole. The program will be as follows: The Battle of Thermopylae, Mrs. M. C. Richmond; the Battle of Salamis, Mrs. R. Richmond; extract from Herodotus, Mrs. W. S. Jenks; discussion, changes produced in Greece by the Persian Wars.

For a Ladies Auxiliary.

There is soon to be a new lodge instituted in town. It will be a ladies auxiliary to the A. O. U. W. The lodge will be known as The Degree of Honor. The lodge will be instituted in Odd Fellows' hall about the first of January. Already there is a large number of charter applicants.

District Court.

In court Tuesday morning the case against Lawrence Hourahan for abusing his privilege of the right of road was continued until Friday morning. Lawyer T. F. Cassidy appeared for the commonwealth and Lawyer Shaw for the defense.

Peter Smith of Murray street has taken a position as clerk in O. A. Upton's office on Spring street.

Rev. Fr. Fredette, who was ordained to the priesthood a few days ago has arrived in town and is being congratulated by his many friends and acquaintances.

Miss Susie Streeter is home from a kindergarten school in New York.

A son was born Tuesday to Mr. and Mrs. Edward Cassidy of Renfrew.

Miss Mable Hammond returned today from Smith college, Northampton.

Miss Mable Goodell of Zylonite has just recovered from a severe attack of sore throat.

A couple of men from Cheshire were in court this morning charged with disturbing the peace.

William J. Pulver will spend Christmas at Danbury, Conn.

The regular meeting of Hoosac Lodge of Odd Fellows will be held this evening.

St. Thomas church choir will meet for rehearsal this evening.

Dr. Andler and F. W. Smith were important witnesses at the hearing of the civil case of Mary Rosenfelder vs. Joseph Gratzbach, at the district court in North Adams this morning.

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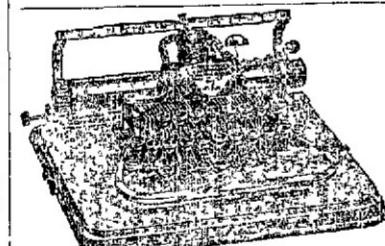
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I know not which record or sin awaits me in the other world; but this I do know, that I never was so mean as to despise a man because he was poor, because he was ignorant, or because he was black.

—John A. Andrew.

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"WE HOLD THE WESTERN GATEWAY."

From the Seal of the city of North Adams.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, DEC. 22, '97.

Advertisers in THE TRANSCRIPT are the best business men in this community. Their advertisements are worth reading, and they are the firms with whom to trade most advantageously.

THE RESULT.

The city election of 1897 is now a part of history, but it will be a landmark in the politics of North Adams. It has been like "high tide at Gettysburg" and as that Union victory put Lee on his long retreat that finally ended at Appomattox, so this hotly contested city election has driven into retreat the forces that rely on misstatement and falsification of fact for their support. This battle will not have to be fought over again. The margin of victory was not large to be sure, nor was it at Gettysburg for the Union forces were too hotly fought to be able to follow Lee, but the issue was decisive.

The election of mayor was the great point of contest. About it centered not only the choice between men, Mr. Cady and Mr. Hamer, but it was made the verdict of the voters as to the present administration. It was made the verdict as to whether the people of this city would support the accusations of misconduct of city affairs so vehemently urged by Mr. Hamer and his friends, or vote confidence in the men now in charge of the city government. Every effort of the forces in opposition to Mr. Cady and the present administration was exerted, under circumstances advantageous to that opposition. The result was defeat, and defeat when the last nerve has been strained is more than temporary.

The majority for Mr. Cady is small, but when the circumstances are considered his victory must be allowed to be emphatic and decisive. His candidacy was late, and made long after the forces of his opponents were organized and at work. He became a candidate after several others had withdrawn and who had friends who disliked to see hesitancy in settling on a leader, as was natural. He labored under the great disadvantage of having his opponent receive what was generally considered the "regular" Republican nomination, an important matter in this Republican city, and which fact was made the most of by his opponents. He had charged against him all the discontent caused by the many reforming acts of the present administration, and got none of the credit for the administration's good record. When these circumstances are considered, Mr. Cady's victory of 1897 becomes a victory of far larger proportions than the majority figures show.

The eight members of the council elected are men of stamp who will make good city legislators. They are representative men and men of good judgment. A glance at the list shows again that the voters of the city have elected councilmen who will be in sympathy with a city government administered as the present one has been. Here again the administration has been endorsed.

The only other contest, that for assessor for one year, was won by a Democrat by a narrow majority. He evidently won because he was popular and because Republicans felt that Democrats who supported Mr. Cady were deserving of a good turn. All things considered, the victory has been a substantial one for H. T. Cady and administration men. One hundred and eighty votes doesn't measure its size. It was a victory won by those elected when their opponents held the most advantageous ground that they could possibly hope for, at this or any other time.

THE ELECTION PROVES IT.

The city election held Tuesday goes to prove that the tendency in municipal contests is toward disregard of party lines—at least, in the smaller cities. People are coming to realize that municipal affairs are local, having nothing to do with national and state issues. It is no longer possible to make the voters of North Adams feel that the policy of public improvements here is in any way connected with a national policy of protection or free trade, or that Mr. Hamer's or Mr. Cady's election as mayor is a matter that is controlled by the same considerations that should dominate the election of a president of the United States. The very fact that city elections in Massachusetts are held on other days than those of national elections shows that the purpose is to make the consideration of city affairs distinct and separate from other politics.

The city elections in Massachusetts this year have shown that people have chosen their city officials without regard to their political faith in state and national concerns. As frequently as otherwise, mayors have been chosen whose policies are not in accord with a majority of the people of the cities where they have chosen them.

This tendency is inevitable. It is the result of broader view being taken of municipal affairs. It is the result of higher intelligence among the masses of voters. It is an encouraging sign of the times, and the sooner party leaders recognize the fact the sooner party divisions and bad feeling within party lines at each

recurring municipal election will be avoided. The time of cracking the party whip in municipal elections has gone by. It does party harmony more harm than good.

MR. HAMER'S STATEMENT.

This paper would today gladly have omitted any personal reference to Harry Hamer. But circumstances alter cases.

In another place in this paper Mr. Hamer makes a denial of having signed the petition for a recount which is now on file in city hall, and which bears the name "Harry R. Hamer." Mr. Hamer adduces no evidence except his own word, and relates a conversation which has nothing to do with proving or disproving what is so important to Mr. Hamer's good imitation.

He said, "You did not sign it?" I said, "No sir."

He said, "We have got you this time, the bank officials say that is your signature."

In conversation with the editor of this paper today Mr. Hamer strenuously denied ever having signed his name to the petition. He was told that he should burn the "forgery" down at any cost, and that THE TRANSCRIPT would help him do it and make amends if it was wrong. He was told that he had strong grounds for a libel suit against this paper if he had not signed that petition. He was urged most strongly to begin investigation for the sake of his reputation. His reply was only this: "That he did not know how to begin."

It Harry R. Hamer did not sign that petition, he will ransack this community for evidence to prove it a forgery. He is enough of a campaigner to know "how to begin."

Will he leave himself branded as having lied to a thousand of his fellow citizens, openly and premeditatedly, or will he like an honest man set about proving his innocence by evidence?

The people are watching you, Mr. Hamer. You are in a bad light. THE TRANSCRIPT again urges you to leave no stone unturned to investigate this matter. We hope you may prove your innocence. Till you do, we cannot hold ourselves slanderers, as you call us, for accepting as true a public record carefully kept at city hall.

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True enough. As Lincoln once said and Mr. Thicker recently quoted: "The people can be trusted."

Councilman Flagg took the banner for being first voter gotter. His 1890 beat Mr. Cady's vote by 5.

Not a statement of THE TRANSCRIPT had to be taken back. The voters signed them as true bills.

There will be no more packing of Republican caucuses. It has been proven that it does not pay.

The people of North Adams have vindicated A. C. Houghton and his administration. Stick a pin in that fact!

The councilmen elected are men of good judgment and right purpose. That is a matter for congratulation.

THE TRANSCRIPT today has to revise its 3 o'clock estimate of Tuesday. But the Foster had a right to crow and did it.

Mr. Cady received congratulatory telegrams from far and wide last evening. The interest in the campaign was not confined to North Adams.

Those who appealed to class feeling in the campaign closed are the most responsible of all. That is a crime against the welfare of the community.

There are no chances for recounts. There is over 100 votes difference between the lowest successful council candidate and the highest of the unsuccessful.

Clerk Brooker was on duty from 4:30 a.m. Tuesday until 10 p.m. He had the returns all balanced for first trial. There is no better or more efficient city clerk in Massachusetts.

The Christmas spirit of "peace on earth, good will toward men" will now have a chance in North Adams as elsewhere. This spirit has been a little neglected here for a few months past.

THE TRANSCRIPT feels pretty well, thank you, but it is trying to take the victory with moderation and in the spirit of charity. We even refrain (with some considerable effort) from printing the "legend of four names." Let us have peace.

Now the Hamer press will speak of the "magnificent support" given the Ward 1 candidate. Let them have that crumb or consolation. It is not the 300 majority they were sure of Monday night. It is Christmas time, and in Christmas spirit give them all they can get out of it.

Now my little man, Tell me if you can Where was Daniel when the light went out?

What was he a-doing, and what was he about?

Now my little man, Tell me if you can Where was Daniel and what was he about?

—Contributed.

H. T. Cady has the right idea. Last night in his brief speech to those who called him out on Main street, he said: "I shall attempt to administer the affairs of the city to the satisfaction of those who have been my friends and to those who have been my opponents in this campaign." That is the right spirit. H. T. Cady will be mayor of all the people of this city.

COMMUNICATIONS.

MR. HAMER MAKES A STATEMENT.

EDITOR TRANSCRIPT.—In your paper of December 21 you tell of the conversation that took place on Bank street between myself and prominent citizens in regard to my name being on a petition. I wish to make a statement as to what took place.

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A proposal is being discussed to make a thorough reform of the naturalization laws on the lines of the immigration educational test bill.

Sheriff Tarleton of Ritchie county, W. Va., has been shot to death. He was shot in the head while in his car, and has been relieved from duty, his bondsman having given him up.

A 3-year-old daughter of Thomas Myers of Dorchester, Mass., died Sunday afternoon from the effects of drinking alcohol which she took while her parents were not looking.

The body of Frank McCabe, who had been missing from his home in Dover, N. H., since midnight Friday, was found in the river Sunday afternoon. The drowning was accidental.

The Brazilian and Italian governments have signed an agreement settling the incident of the killing of the Italians at Espirito Santo last month. Italy admits there was no cause for diplomatic intervention.

Men dragged the Susquehanna river Sunday for the body of Rev. S. S. Spurrier of Harrisburg, Pa., who, it is thought, either committed suicide or was murdered and his body thrown into the river last Thursday night.

The plate glass strike in Kokomo, Ind., is over. The 1600 men in the Kokomo and Andiswood plants having accepted the company's proposition for publishers to be paid for piece work. Both factories will resume operations this week.

The supreme lodge of the Knights of Pythias, through its committee and supreme chancellor, has awarded to Hoffmann & Precha of New York the contract for the monument to be erected in honor of Founder Rathbone at Utica.

Frederick M. Weir, 40 years old, whose home was in Chelsea, Mass., committed suicide Saturday night by cutting his throat with a razor in a New York hotel, where he was temporarily staying.

Life was extinct when the fact of the suicide became known.

At Elk City, Kan., John Straus is dead; his two sons are dying and M. T. Read and his daughter are critically ill from drinking coffee into which rat poison had been dropped accidentally.

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"What for?"

"I lost a quahog down there, an I want to hunt for it."

She was given several matches and ran ahead and began striking matches and looking along the sidewalk. When the two men came up, she had stopped hunting and had apparently found the coin.

"Well, did you find it?" inquired one of the men.

"No, but I done find this horseshoe, an that's better'n two quahogs," she said.

—Kansas City Star.

—A Lucky Find.

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—A Lucky Find.

Tablets said to contain the "concentrated essence of wine" find a ready sale in France. Two of them cost about 3 shillings and will produce three quarts of so called cigar.

Hot waffles, piping hot with maple syrup, at Hesford's, Day and night.

We have a fine supply of sorted hard wood, both sawed and split. Call white telephone. T. W. Richmond's coal and wood office.

Cabinet's "Hudson Club" cigar, 5c.

If the Observer had taken notice of the crowds that thronged Tilton's store on Saturday afternoon and evening, he or she would have realized that Xmas shopping had begun in earnest and if they wished to purchase holiday articles—and get the best selection at Tilton's, no time was to be lost.

—Contributed.

H. T. Cady has the right idea. Last night in his brief speech to those who called him out on Main street, he said: "I shall attempt to administer the affairs of the city to the satisfaction of those who have been my friends and to

UNCLE SAM'S CHARITY.

TRAVELLER'S GUIDE.

Fitchburg Railroad.

Corrected Nov. 15, 1897.

Trains leave North Adams going East—**8:37**,
11:15, 7:33, 9:53, a. m., 12:40, 4:31, 5:55,
6:20 p. m.;
Going West—**7:30**, 10:48, a. m., 12:20, 1:24,
5:00, 18:05, 11:45, C. 2:30, 6:40 p. m.
Train Arrive From East—**8:30**, 10:45 a. m., 12:15,
1:45, 5:00, 6:45, 7:30, 8:30 p. m.
From West—**5:45**, 7:45, 8:30 a. m., 12:40
12:50, 3:31, 6:30, 7:00 p. m.
Run Daily, except Monday.
Run Daily, Sunday included.
Sunday only.

New York Central R. R.

HARLEM DIVISION.

Leave North Adams via B. & A., R. R. for New York 6:20 a. m.; arrive N. Y. city 5:55 a. m.; leave N. Y. city 6:30 a. m.; arrive North Adams 8:00 p. m.; leave North Adams 8:00 p. m.; arrive N. Y. city 8:45 p. m.; Sunday train leaves North Adams 1:30 p. m.; arrive N. Y. city 3:30 p. m.
Leave North Adams Saturday night for North Adams at 2:30 p. m. and 5:30 p. m. Sunday train leaves N. Y. city at 9:15 a. m. arrives North Adams 4:30. F. J. Weller, General Agent, Albany, N. Y.

Boston & Maine Railroad.

AT GREENFIELD.

For Springfield, Northampton, and Holyoke 6:20
10:45, 11:15, 12:15, 1:15, 3:15, 4:15, 5:20 p. m.
Gardiner's G. 20, 8:45 a. m.; for Deerfield, Whately
and Hatfield 7:15, 11:15, 1:15, 1:45, 2:15 p. m.
Sunday 8:45 a. m.
South Vernon Junction, 8:52, 10:22 a. m.,
1:15, 2:15, 3:15 p. m. Sundays 4:30 a. m.
For Brattleboro, Bellows Falls, and Windsor, 10:22 a. m., 1:15, 4:30, 9:15 p. m. Sundays 4:30
a. m., 9:15 p. m.
For stations between White River Junction
and Lyndonville, 10:22 a. m., 1:15, 3:15 p. m. For
Newport and Sherbrooke, 10:22 a. m., 9:15 p. m.

Stages

NORTH ADAMS AND READINGSBORO.
THOMAS H. SULLIVAN, Proprietor.
Tele Post Office, North Adams 1:30 p. m.
Leave Post Office, Readingboro, 8 a. m.

Finest and Most Up-to-date
Painting at The TRANSIENT office
at prices paid elsewhere for poorer
work.

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

—Mrs. Daniel Keating of Stamford, Vt., has
fully recovered from her recent illness.

—Jacq Lodge, I. O. O. F., worked the
first degree on two candidates Tuesday evening.

—The Postal telegraph messenger boys
have formed an organization to be known as
the Oriental club.

—There will be a regular meeting of
Stewart Council Steam engineers this
evening. Officers will be elected for the
ensuing year.

—J. A. Twing is running a skating rink
on the Bartlett and Witt ponds. Electric
lights will soon be erected. There is good
skating now and many are enjoying the
sport.

—The Salvation Army will hold Christ-
mas exercises in the hall on Eagle street
Christmas eve. There will be speaking,
singing, etc., and presents will be pro-
vided for 50 poor children.

—The seven deaths in the city last week
were caused by old age, heart disease,
acute bronchitis, typhoid fever, degenera-
tion of the pancreas, chronic inflamma-
tion of the liver and meningitis.

—J. H. Flaherty has papered and
painted the interior of his cigar store on
Eagle street and greatly improved its ap-
pearance. There are some further im-
provements to be made and when all is
done Mr. Flaherty will have an attractive
place or business.

—The first basket ball practice will
take place in Old Fellow's hall this even-
ing. The hall will be open to any who
may be interested and there will proba-
bly be a good number on hand to watch
the beginning of what promises to be
a popular sport here.

—On North Church street Tuesday a
little boy was seen to ascend a doorstep
and rap lightly on the door. The rapping
was evidently done to divert suspicion, for
the next move made was to grab three
pennies from a milk pitcher and run. The
boy accompanied the theft in a way to
indicate that it was not his first.

—A young man in this city who
modestly refuses to allow his name to be
used has been trying his hand lately at
drawing humorous sketches. He sent
four of them to him, and while none of
them have yet been published the fact
that they were accepted is indicated by
the receipt of the publishers' check for
\$24.

—The hop given by a number
young ladies in the Army hall Tuesday
evening was well attended and was a
most enjoyable one. Music was fur-
nished by the G. A. R. Club orchestra,
whose work was highly complimented by
the dancers. Refreshments were served and
nothing was wanting to make the occas-
ion the complete success it was designed
to be.

—H. G. B. Fisher, whose home is in
New York, though he has never changed
his residence from North Adams, arrived
in the city early yesterday for the purpose
of voting for Mayor Gladys. It was quite
an effort for Mr. Fisher to be here for he
was quite severely sick some four weeks
ago by being thrown down and bruised by
a trolley car.

—H. Austin Ketchum, who recently
came to this city from Albany, is a very
skillful guitarist and will be a welcome
addition to the musical talent which
abounds in North Adams. Mr. Ketchum
was in town last summer for the benefit
of his health and liked the place so well
that he decided to locate here. He will
make his headquarters at Davis' music
store and will give lessons on the guitar.

—Hoosac Lodge, N. E. O. P., elected
officers Tuesday evening as follows: Warden,
Thomas W. Lewis; vice warden, L. B.
Kout; secretary, R. C. Lucius; financial
secretary, Maggie Kennedy; treasurer,
Arthur C. Darling; chaplain, E. E. Curly;
guide, John B. Page; guardian, T. J. Con-
te; sentinel, Ernest Kent; trustee, J. R.
Chippendale. The officers will be installed
at the first or second meeting in Jan-
uary.

—List of letters advertised at the North
Adams, Mass., post office December 22,
1897: Miss Kate Alward, Mrs. Sarah
Bement, Miss Commons, Mrs. Milton
Davis, Mrs. S. N. Morse, Miss Cora Rob-
erts, Mrs. John Ruane, Miss B. H. Villos,
Abram Brothers, A. T. Galbraith, George
Hodge, Will Houllier, Fred A. Lewis,
Robert McMurphy, Adler Mathew, H. E.
Skinner, Lammann, F. Di Battachini,
Fumasoni Pasquale, P. Urbanski.

—Miss Christine Dykes of Weber Bros.
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WALTER WELLMAN.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

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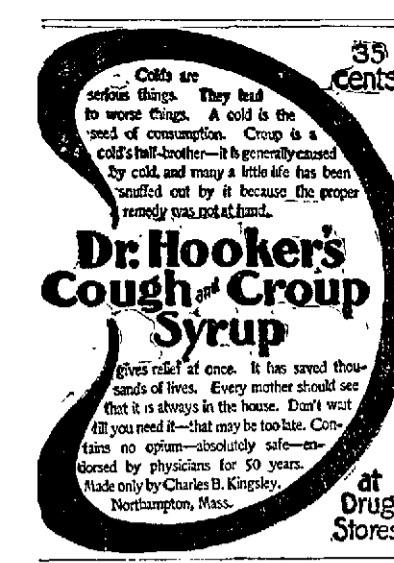
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Local News!

SAVOY.

There is to be a Christmas tree at the Hollow, also at the Union church Friday evening.

The school at Newstate closed Friday last and the school at the Centre joined with the Newstate school and they gave an entertainment at the Union church consisting of singing, music on the organ, dialogues and recitations, although the schools were small and many of them small children we think they showed marked talent as speakers. Also that they had been well trained in the way of speaking.

Elmer McCullock was in Boston part of last week.

W. H. Coddington, who has been a little indisposed, is able to be about by the aid of a cane.

The young people of this place enjoyed a dance at the town hall on Saturday night.

Mrs. Bliss is gaining slowly.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Burnett and daughter are having the mumps.

M. A. Bliss has sold his horse Prince to A. J. McCullock.

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Burnett gave a reception at their home in Florida December 15 to about 60 of their friends. The evening was pleasantly passed in singing, music on the organ, violin playing, games and partaking of refreshments. The party dispersed at about 2 o'clock, hoping to meet their host and hostess on many more such occasions.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Burnett December 16.

Miss Grace Hibbard and her sister, Mamie, have returned to their home in Lenox.

W. W. Burnett and Area Burnett peddled cheese through Florida, Monroe and Southern Vermont last week.

NORTH POWNAL.

The enterprising and popular merchant, C. H. Myers of Pownal Center, is making a weekly trip our way every Wednesday.

Loomfixer Eugene Harlow worked Monday, December 13, in the weave shop.

On Tuesday morning he and his family were not to be found. The house they occupied was vacant. We have since heard that in the night he moved his family to North Petersburg.

The concert given at the Congregational church Thursday evening was well attended and a pleasant time was spent by those attending.

A Christmas tree entertainment and concert will be held at the Methodist church Friday evening of this week by the Sunday school. A merry Christmas and a cordial invitation is extended to all as young.

Rev. A. M. Woodruff returned Monday from a week's vacation.

The pastor of the Methodist church being absent the Sunday service was conducted by a minister from Williamstown.

Frank Bancroft was here Monday with a team from North Adams to move his household goods to that city.

Miss Alice Moses is again ill and had to close her school in room No. 2 Friday afternoon. M. B. Bates is filling the vacancy.

POWNAL CENTER.

Mrs. Sherman passed away on December 14 after a long and painful illness, at the house of Mrs. Rosebury. Mrs. Sherman lived a long and useful life, bearing in her 71st year. She was a kind woman, always ready to help others. She leaves three daughters to mourn her, two in the West and Mrs. William Campbell of this town with whom she had made her home during the past few years. The interment was in the Oak Hill cemetery.

Dearest Mother thou hast left us. For thy long and peaceful rest. Though our hearts be sad with weeping Yet we think it for the best.

Thou has been a faithful mother Through the years of toil and pain, May the Savoir fair be onward Where we hope to meet again.

We shall miss you through the years. Flying forward day by day, Till at length we'll meet you, Mother In that home so far away.

When our work on earth is ended And we're called to Heaven above, May we gather 'round the Saviour There to rest in endless love.

Miss Ada Oakes of Stamford, is the guest of Mrs. Frank Root.

Sherman Kimball has returned home from Connecticut where he has been working during the past few months.

SHERMAN

Last week Tuesday morning about 6 o'clock fire was seen in the lime kiln building. It gained headway very fast and soon it was beyond all hope of saving the kiln sheds, and the time was devoted to saving the trestle which the rock is carried on to the kilns from the quarry by fighting furiously for about two hours. The main part of the trestle was saved. The fire caught by the water getting into some lime and its slackening, setting the barrels on fire. A similar fire occurred early in the spring. The kilns were damaged somewhat. The entire loss is not known. It was partly covered by insurance.

George Bascom came home last week Thursday for a few days and will return this week.

Miss Mattie Plumb is spending Christmas at home. She is attending school at Northfield.

The lime kilns are to be rebuilt again this fall; it is to be done by contractor.

SWEET'S CORNERS.

Rev. O. J. Rose attended the funeral services of Mr. Lamb of North Adams last Wednesday. Mr. Lamb was the son of John Lamb of this place. He was brought up here and moved to North Adams where he took up the ice business. Mr. Lamb's family have the sympathy of their friends.

Andrew Walton is building quite a large new house which will make it very much easier to keep fowls than before.

The Baptist Sunday school are going to have a tree New Years eve. In connection with the tree there will be an oyster supper for which the sum of 25 cents will be charged. All the rest is free. All are cordially invited to come.

WILLIAMS MFG. CO., Proprs., Cleveland O. For sale at Pratt's Drug Store, 3 Main Street.

William's Kidney Pills
Has no equal in diseases of the Kidneys and Urinary Organs. Have you neglected your kidneys? Have you overworked your nervous system and caused trouble with your kidneys and bladder? Have you pains in the loins, sides, back, groins and bladder? Have you a flabby appearance of the face, especially under the eyes? Too frequent desire pass urine? William's Kidney Pills will impart new life to the diseased organs, tone up the system and make a new man of you. By mail 50 cents per box.

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FIRST HOMESTEADER

STILL LIVING ON HIS ORIGINAL CLAIM
IN NEBRASKA.

Dr. Daniel Freeman the Leader of the Long Procession of Settlers That Have Populated the Prairies—How He Happened to Become the Pioneer.

The ranks of the long procession of homesteaders pushing their way beyond the borders of civilization have grown thin, but will continue to increase until the last available acre of government land has been handed over to its citizens.

The leader of this procession—the first man to enter a claim under the homestead law—still lives near Beatrice, in Gage county, Neb. His name is Daniel Freeman, and he is as active and hale an old man as can be readily found.

The free homestead law, though long agitated and several times passed by the house of representatives, was not finally enacted till the second year of the civil war. By its provisions any citizen or applicant for citizenship over 21 years of age may enter upon 160 acres of any unappropriated public lands graded at \$1.25 per acre or 80 acres of such lands valued at \$2.50 per acre by the government on payment of the nominal fee of \$5 to \$10. After five years' actual residence on the land a patent therefor is issued to the settler by the general land office at Washington. This patent is a valid title from the United States. If the settler wishes to complete his title for the five years, with a view to sell or remove, he can do so only by payment to the United States of the valuation price of the land. No individual is permitted to acquire more than 160 acres under the homestead act, but there is no limit to the quantity which may be purchased by individuals. There is a proviso in the law—modeled upon the exemption laws of the states—that no lands acquired under the provisions of the homestead act shall be liable for any debts of the settler contracted before the issue of the patent for his homestead. Said Senator Benton: "The freeholder is the natural supporter of a free government. Tenantry is unfavorable to the freedom. The tenant has, in fact, no country, no



DR. DANIEL FREEMAN,
hearth, no domestic altar, no household gods. It should be the policy of republics to multiply their freeholders."

How Dr. Freeman came to be the first beneficiary of the homestead law happened in this way: He had acquired a "squatter's right" to a tract of land in Gage

county by making the necessary improvements, but this was not enough to hold it under the new statute, so Dr. Freeman immediately started for the land office at Brownsville, 75 miles away, to locate his claim. He arrived there on the last day of 1862, registered at the tavern, where he observed preparations for a New Year's eve ball. He went to the ball, and in the course of the evening made the acquaintance of the clerk of the land office, who told him that on the following day the office would not be open, it being a legal holiday. Freeman begged, as a special favor, that his claim be registered at once. The clerk interested him in Freeman's case, hunted up the registrar and at midnight the latter opened his office and issued Dr. Freeman's patent at 12:05 o'clock on the morning of Jan. 1, 1863.

Since that period states and territories have been created out of the millions upon millions of acres of land that have been taken up by homesteaders, and the wave of civilization has swept far to the west of Gage county, and all this in half the lifetime of one man.

Much as has thus been disposed of there is considerable left west of the Mississippi River. According to the recent report of the general land office, Missouri has a residue of 497,704 acres, mostly in the swamp and mountain counties. Arkansas has 8,922,042 acres, while Kansas has 1,046,688 acres—generally worthless for agricultural purposes. Nebraska, the state where Dr. Freeman located his claim, has still a magnificent area of unoccupied lands, the estimate being 10,669,353 acres. Much of this is classified as arid land and is located in the western part of the state. But where irrigation is fully developed it may yet "blossom as the rose" under the hand of the thrifty and intelligent settler. There is no public land in Iowa, Illinois or Indiana that is available for settlers.

Going still farther beyond the frontier borders we find that Montana has 71,432,917 acres awaiting settlement; Nevada, 61,378,586 acres; New Mexico, 56,683,047; and Arizona, 54,490,211 acres. It is fair to assume that much—perhaps most—of this land is likewise almost worthless.

Then there is Alaska. It will be a long time before the homesteader makes much head there, but he can take his pick from the 360,529,600 acres which the government owns, although it cannot be very valuable for agricultural purposes.

From the foregoing facts it will be seen that the public domain, exclusive of the existing forest reservations, is the enormous extent of 619,301,746 acres. This is an area 15 times as large as the entire New England states. So the old song is still in force:

Come along, come along, make no delay;
Come from every station, come from every way!

The land there is plenty; take no alarm—
Uncle Sam is rich enough to give us all a farm.

Now has the government withheld its hand in donating land for railroads, wagon roads and to different states at one time and another. To soldiers and sailors it has likewise been generous. And it is quite easy to become a homesteader. It is even necessary to take out the full or final naturalization papers, for upon declaration of intention to become a citizen the government will allow a homestead claim to be entered.

An Epitaph.

The danger of using porcelain letters on a tombstone is illustrated in a village cemetery not far from St. Louis. The inscription reads:

O Lord,
She is thin!

The final "e" had been knocked off in a thunderstorm.—St. Louis Star.

HORSES IN HISTORY.

SOME OF THE NOBLE STEEDS THAT HAVE ACHIEVED FAME.

The Four Footed Friend For Whom a City Was Named—Roman Horse That Lived Like Prince—Chargers Who Were Renown Amid the Carnage of War.

It is hard to say with any near approach to accuracy how long the horse has been a domesticated animal. We can only say that he has been so from time immemorial—that is, from the earliest times of which we have any records. The Assyrian sculptures—and they are about the most ancient of which we know anything, for some of them are estimated to date from 4800 B. C.—contain more representations of caparisoned horses than even men. Still, we do not get any examples of favorite horses until a long time after this.

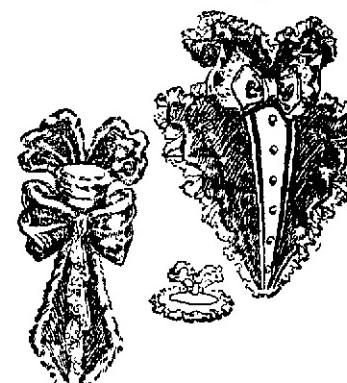
Even the first examples, indeed, are only legendary, for, though there is no doubt that Hector of Troy existed, it is not improbable that Homer invented the names of his three favorite horses, Podarge, the cream colored Galathé and the fiery Ethon. But the horse of Alexander the Great, Bucephalus, is an individual as historically real as his master. This famous horse was, says Plutarch, offered to Philip for 13 talents (about \$2,518), but he displayed so much valour that Alexander was prepared to conquer, but not to fly. They rallied and finally won the battle.

There were two horses belonging to highwaymen which were famous in their time. One of them belonged to the celebrated knight of the road, Paul Clifford. He was called Robin and was Irish. In color iron gray, he was reported by judges of horseflesh—and there were some who were quite as competent to give an opinion, if not more so, as any of the present day—to be absolutely without blemish and to be second to none. Another famous horse, or rather mare, was Black Bess. Her owner, Dick Turpin, or, to give him his correct name, Nicks, committed a robbery in London at 4 o'clock in the morning, and, fearing discovery, made for Gravesend, ferried across the river and appeared at the bowling green in York the same evening, having accomplished his ride of 300 miles in 18 hours on one horse. At least so says the legend, and this is certain—that on his trial he was acquitted, the jury considering it impossible that he could have got to York in the time. —London Standard.

NOTES AND NOTICES.

Pretty Novelties of Various Kinds For the Wardrobe and Household.

Little bonnets all of flowers are again seen for evening wear. Usually there are a bit of lace and a jeweled ornament somewhere about it, but the body of the bonnet is composed of flowers and foliage. These little trifles are dainty and becoming.



CONSEAU DECORATIONS.

ing, but only suit young and blooming or delicate faces. Something more elaborate and reserved is required by mature wearers.

The hair is worn less bouffant at the sides than was the case last season, and the coil at the back is placed higher, but the hair is waved throughout its length and kept fluffy.

Now that jardinières of pottery and chinaware are made in such a variety of shapes and colors, the old methods of covering flowerpots containing plants for decoration have quite gone out. In case of emergency the pots may be draped with pieces of damask, but usually they are concealed in bowls of faience.

Very pretty cushion covers may be made of flowered cotton in which the pattern has been embossed with colored silks.

For brooches and fancy materials with large designs and for heavy velvet perfectly plain skirts are still most highly favored of any in spite of the efforts at the introduction and establishment of skirt trimming that are continually being made.

The prince's gown, preferred by brides, is a feature of this winter's fashions, and many elegant gowns are made in this style, which gives grace and slenderness to the form of the wearer. Thick cloth and velvet are materials specially adapted to it, as they fall in full folds and are rich enough to require little admiring.

A picture is given today of two decorations for the bodice. The first consists of a pair of revers of chinchilla, bordered by a ruffle of fur, under which is placed a frill of ivory lace. The revers are joined by a double plait of nile green velvet ornamented with small paste buttons. The collar is bordered by a fur ruffle and a frill of lace, and here is a cravat of nile green velvet and lace. The second decoration is a cravat of blue velvet bordered with chinchilla and enriched with a coquille of ivory lace. The collar is bordered with fur and has two plaited, fur-edged tabs at the neck.

PIKE'S PEAK OR BUST.

The Founder of Denver Is Now a Texas Cattlemen.

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enough to see Denver incorporated. His cabin was preserved by the Masonic Lodge for many years as one of the landmarks of the city. A Lodge of Masons met in this cabin in 1859.

Many people yet living remember wild excitement that swept over the country during the winter of 1858-9 concerning the discovery of gold at Pike's peak. The frenzy exceeded that which possessed the people in 1849 when California attracted the gold seekers of the world, as "Pike's peak or bust" soon became a popular cry throughout the west.

Mr. Russell, the cause of all this excitement, was born in the goldfields of Georgia and went to California in 1849. In crossing the plains he found gold on Sweetwater, north of the Plateau. In 1858 he returned there, with his brothers, to prospect. They had poor success, but found small quantities of gold in the sands of the Plateau. While mining on Cherry creek, where Denver now stands, a small party of people passed along en route from Salt

WINTER STYLES.

The Latest Ways of Making and Trimming Gowns and Bodices.

The blouse form of bodice, both for gowns and wraps, was greeted with such enthusiasm and has met with such unequalled success that it is likely to last all winter and into the spring, if not longer. The chief drawback—besides its unbecomingness to full figures—is that it is being run into the ground. It appears literally



J. O. RUSSELL.

Lake to the states. The Russells showed them their gold dust in a matter of fact way.

"We never boasted of our luck," says Mr. Russell, "but, on the contrary, represented that gold was very scarce. These people knew nothing about gold mining, and they at once jumped to the conclusion that we had struck a second California."

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The sketch shows a costume of rose moire, the skirt being trimmed around the foot by two narrow ruffles of black mouseline de soie headed by bands of satin.

The fitted bodice has a plastron or guipure framed by a ruffle of black mouseline with a sable heading. The basque consists of a mouseline ruffle, the plain sleeves are of moire and the belt is of black satin with long, rounded ends. The black velvet capote is trimmed with a green velvet chenille, a paste buckle and black plumeria.

JUDIC CHOLLET.

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No. 3092.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE WILLIAMS
AND NATIONAL BANKS AT WILLIAMSTOWN IN
THE STATE OF MASSACHUSETTS, AT THE CLOSE
OF BUSINESS, DECEMBER 15, 1897.

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts \$132,100.88
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured, 47.71
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation, 15,000.00
Banking House, Furniture, Fixtures, 5,000.00
Due from National Banks, (not
including Williams), 1,000.00
Due from approved reserve agents, 26,420.35
Checks and other cash items, 15.75
Notes of other National Banks, 450.00
Fractional paper currency, nickels and
cents, 150.19

LAWFUL MONEY RESERVE IN BANK, viz:
Special 3,604.53
Legal-tender notes 3,140.00 6,744.53

Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer
(5 per cent. of circulation), 550.00

Total, \$167,453.61

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in, \$50,000.00
Surplus fund, 7,000.00
Undivided profits, less expenses and
taxes paid, 1,535.15
National bank notes outstanding, 15,000.00
Due to other National Banks, 1,000.00
Due to State Banks and Bankers, 2,512.10
Dividends unpaid, .00
Individual deposits subject to check, 67,544.35
Demand certificates of deposit, 2,765.20
Bills payable, 10,000.00

Total, \$170,745.61

State of Massachusetts, County of Berkshire, set
1. Willard H. Clark, Cashier of the above-named
bank, do solemnly swear that the above state-
ment is true to the best of my knowledge and be-
lieve. WILLARD H. CLARK, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 1st
day of December, 1897.

CLARENCE M. SMITH, Notary Public.

CORRECT—Attest

A. L. PERRY,
FRED E. MOORE, Directors.

CHARLES S. LOLES

No. 1210.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE ADAMS NA-
TIONAL BANK AT NORTH ADAMS, IN THE STATE
OF MASSACHUSETTS, AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS
DECEMBER 15, 1897.

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts \$9,150.19
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured, 219.58
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation, 50,000.00
Premiums of U. S. Bonds, 9,420.00
Banking house, Furniture, etc., 4,500.00
Banking house, 10,000.00
Due from National Banks (not reserve
agents) 48,190.35
Due from approved reserve agents 55,850.00
Checks and other cash items, 4,000.47
Notes of other National Banks, 4,120.00
Fractional paper currency, nickels and
cents, 988.25

LAWFUL MONEY RESERVE IN BANK, viz:

Special 3,430.00

Legal-tender notes, 13,320.00 16,652.00

Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer
(5 per cent. of circulation), 25,000.00

Total, \$170,222.38

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in, \$50,000.00
Surplus fund, 100,000.00

Undivided profits, less expenses and
taxes paid, 6,000.00

National bank notes outstanding, 41,000.00

Due to other National Banks, 104,000.00

Due to State Banks and Bankers, 16,000.72

Dividends unpaid, 150.00

Individual deposits subject to check, 480.00

Demand certificates of deposit, 1,204.12

Total, \$170,222.38

STATE OF MASSACHUSETTS, COUNTY OF BERKELEY,

I, E. S. Wilkinson, Cashier of the above-named
bank, do solemnly swear that the above state-
ment is true to the best of my knowledge and be-
lieve.

E. S. WILKINSON, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 2nd day

of December 1897.

HARVEY A. GALLUP, Notary Public.

Commissioner of Deeds.

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V. A. WHITAKER, Directors.

W. A. GALLUP,

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